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TAGS : CASC (GRIFFIN, MARGARET J.)
SUBJECT : W/W: MARGARET J. GRIFFIN

FROM SALZBURG

REF: DEPT OM TO SALZBURG OF MARCH 2, 1978.

1. SENATOR TED STEVENS INTERESTED.
2. LOCAL PERSONNEL DO NOT RECALL GRIFFIN VISIT AND CONSUL WAS NOT INFORMED OF GRIFFIN'S CALL OR VISIT. OUR RECORDS SHOW THAT CONSUL (WHO IS SOLE AMERICAN IN CONSULATE SALZBURG AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE PASSPORTS) WAS ON LEAVE AND OUT OF TOWN ON DECEMBER 29 AND 30. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, GRIFFIN SHOULD HAVE BEEN ADVISED ON 28TH TO TRAVEL DIRECTLY TO MUNICH OR TO VIENNA FOR NEW PASSPORT. ALTERNATIVELY, SINCE LOCAL PERSONNEL NORMALLY HAS ADVANCE KNOWLEDGE OF CONSUL'S LEAVE PLANS, GRIFFIN SHOULD HAVE BEEN ADVISED TRAVEL IMMEDIATELY TO SALZBURG FOR PASSPORT ISSUANCE SAME DAY.

3. CONSULATE HAS NO CHECK CASHING FACILITIES AND LOCAL STAFF NOT AUTHORIZED MAKE WELFARE LOANS IN ABSENCE OF CONSUL. NORMALLY LOCAL STAFF WOULD HAVE (A) INFORMED CONSUL OF TELEPHONE CALL SUCH AS GRIFFIN'S OR (B) REQUESTED INSTRUCTIONS FROM EMBASSY IN VIENNA AND (C) RE-
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PORTED CASE IMMEDIATELY AFTER CONSUL'S RETURN TO SALZBURG.

4. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT MISUNDERSTANDING AROSE ON DECEMBER 28 OUT OF TIME REQUIRED IN SALZBURG FOR PASSPORT PHOTOGRAPHS. HOWEVER, IT APPEARS GRIFFINS WERE NOT GIVEN FULL ASSISTANCE APPROPRIATE UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES AND CONSUL WILL WRITE DIRECTLY TO GRIFFINS TO EXPRESS REGRET.

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